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Proposed Classification of this Application:

Class: Subclass:

Prop. Application

Examiner:

Art Unit:

**Box PATENT APPLICATION**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing an

- Original  
☒ Continuation  
☐ Divisional  
☐ Continuation-in-part

application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), in the name of

Thomas J. MEADE  
 (Names of ALL Applicants)

for MRI AGENTS FOR THE DETECTION OF PHYSIOLOGICAL AGENTS  
 (Title of Invention)

This ☒ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part

claims priority to pending application Serial No. 60/207,619, filed on May 26, 2001.

1. (a) ☐ Enclosed is a new application.  
 (b) ☐ Enclosed is a continuation-in-part application.  
 (c) ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application.
2. (a) ☐ Enclosed is a new Declaration.  
 (b) ☐ Enclosed is a copy of the prior Declaration as originally filed.
3. (a) ☒ Applicant claims Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.  
 (b) ☐ A Small Entity Affidavit is of record in the prior application.
4. ☐ The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as filed in the prior application, less any claims canceled by amendment below:

	(Col. 1) NO. FILED	(Col. 2) NO. EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
			RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
<b>BASIC FEE</b>				<b>\$355</b>		<b>\$710</b>
TOTAL CLAIMS	- 20 =	*	× 9 =	\$	× 18 =	\$
INDEP CLAIMS	- 3 =	*	× 40 =	\$	× 80 =	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED	yes	no	+135 =	\$	+270 =	\$
If the difference in Col 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2			TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$

5. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No. \_\_\_\_\_).

6. ☐ Our check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.  
☒ The filing fee is NOT being submitted with this transmittal letter.
7. ☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
8. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
 --This is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part  
 of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.--
9. (a) ☒ Informal drawings are enclosed (26 sheets).  
 (b) ☐ Formal drawings are enclosed.
10. (a) ☒ Priority of application Serial No. 60/207,619 filed on May 26, 2000 in the United States of America is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119/120.  
 (b) ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
11. ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to \_\_\_\_\_
12. ☐ The power of attorney in the prior application is to:  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) ☐ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.  
 (b) ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.  
 (c) ☐ A new power has been executed and is enclosed.  
 (d) ☐ Address all future communications to:
- FLEHR HOHBACH TEST ALBRITTON & HERBERT LLP  
 Four Embarcadero Center - Suite 3400  
 San Francisco, California 94111-4187  
 Tel.: (415) 781-1989  
 Fax: (415) 398-3249
13. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
14. ☐ I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true duplicate of prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ as originally filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

Date: 5/24/01

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Robin M. Silva, Reg. No. 38,304

Address of Signer:

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☐ Attorney or agent of record

☐ Filed under Section 1.34(a)